

## **Residential Swimming Pools & Spas**

City of Oregon, Illinois

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### **FILLING SWIMMING POOL WITH WATER.**

**THE POOL MAY NOT BE FILLED WITH WATER UNTIL THE FINAL INSPECTIONS HAS BEEN PERFORMED AND APPROVED. THE POOL SHALL NOT BE FILLED WITH WATER PRIOR TO THE FINAL INSPECTION.**

#### **LOCATION**

- THE BUILDER/OWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LOCATION OF POOL OR SPA ACCORDING TO APPROVED SITE PLAN, PROPERTY LINES, EASEMENTS & SETBACKS.
- Call J.U.L.I.E. (1-800-892-0123) for utility locations.
- Pool or spa cannot be located over or under any utilities.
- No pool, spa, or deck may be placed within any required front, side, or corner side yards.
- Pool/deck may be located to within required setbacks of districts, subject to review by the Building Official.
- No pool shall be located in a drainage way.

#### **FENCING**

- Every pool located on a lot used for residential purposes shall be completely enclosed by a fence not less than 4' in height above grade, with suitable gates and self-closing mechanisms and self-latching devices designed to prevent access to such pool by children requiring adult supervision. For swimming pools four feet or more in height, the wall of the swimming pool shall be considered "fencing".
- Fencing shall be installed prior to the final inspection.
- Where the wall of a dwelling serves as part of the barrier, one of the following conditions shall be met:
  1. The pool shall be equipped with an approved power safety cover.
  2. All doors with direct access to the pool shall be equipped with an approved alarm.

#### **ELECTRICAL**

- Electrical shall be installed underground in conduit or an approved direct burial cable and must be equipped with a G.F.C.I. (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters).
- Electrical line must be buried 6" if in rigid metal conduit and 24" for direct burial cables or conductors.
- Underground utilities must be minimum of 5' from inside wall of pool.
- Overhead utilities must be minimum of 10' from inside of pool & have 18' clearance from water level in any direction.

#### **ITEMS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION**

- 2 copies of certified Plat of Survey showing location of pool drawn to scale with dimensions & location of fence, pool specs, & plumbing layout.
- Placement of electrical wire and hookups.
- Deck construction materials & a detailed drawing of the deck with dimensions.
- Indicate location of existing electrical service line.

#### **INSPECTIONS**

**INSPECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED FOR A.M. OR P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY WITH 24 HOUR ADVANCE NOTICE**

- Before electrical wire is buried.
- Deck, spa, and/or pool, final inspection.

**I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE AFOREMENTIONED REQUIREMENTS AND AGREE TO COMPLY WITH SAME.**

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Signature

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Date

## **26.16.070 Pool Fences**

All private swimming pools in the city must be made inaccessible to the general population according to the requirements listed herein. Existing private swimming pools are required to be in compliance with this Code within 90 days of its adoption. Any party found to be in violation of said requirements will be subject to penalty according to OCC 1.16.030.

1. In-ground Swimming Pools: In-ground swimming pools shall be enclosed by a permanent fence with a minimum height of four feet and shall not exceed eight feet in height. Any access gate in the fence shall be lockable and locked when owner, or any designated and responsible person of at least 14 years of age, is absent. Any commercial pool cover designed to withstand a minimum of 100 pounds of weight may be in lieu of a fence. In that circumstance, the cover must be utilized when the owner, or any designated and responsible person of at least 14 years of age, is absent.
2. Aboveground Swimming Pools: For swimming pools four feet or more in height, the wall of the swimming pool shall be considered "fencing." The pool shall have a means of limiting access to it when owner, or any designated and responsible person of at least 14 years of age, is absent by either of the following: removing or folding up and locking any ladder; or closing and locking a gate on steps to a deck or landing. If the pool is located within an appropriately fenced yard, the removal or locking of the ladder or steps, or closing and locking a gate on steps to a deck or landing, is not required but is still a recommended safety practice.

(Code 1987, § 6-2(7); Ord. No. 1141, 6-12-2000; Ord. No. 1201, 5-10-2004; Ord. of 4-25-2005)